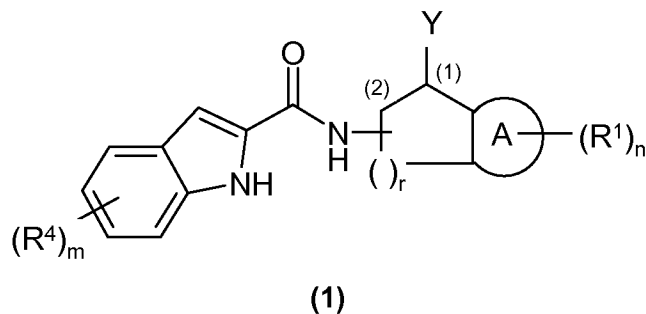


### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1):



wherein:

A is phenylene;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

m is 0, 1 or 2;

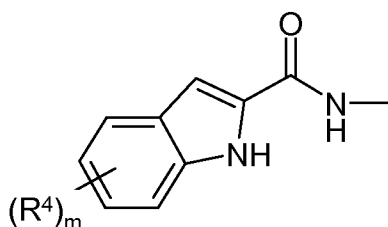
R<sup>1</sup> is independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-((1-4C)alkyl)<sub>2</sub>carbamoyl, sulphamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-((1-4C)alkyl)<sub>2</sub>sulphamoyl, -S(O)<sub>b</sub>(1-4C)alkyl (wherein b is 0, 1, or 2), -OS(O)<sub>2</sub>(1-4C)alkyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy, (1-4C)alkanoyl, (1-4C)alkanoyloxy, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy and -NHSO<sub>2</sub>(1-4C)alkyl;

or, when n is 2, the two R<sup>1</sup> groups, together with the carbon atoms of A to which they are attached, may form a 4 to 7 membered saturated ring, optionally being substituted by one or two methyl groups;

R<sup>4</sup> is independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy and (1-4C)alkanoyl;

r is 1 or 2; and

when r is 1 the group



is a substituent on carbon (2) and

when r is 2 (thereby forming a six membered ring) the same group is a substituent on carbon (2) or on carbon (3);

Y is selected from  $-C(O)R^2$ ,  $-C(O)OR^2$ ,  $-C(O)NR^2R^3$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkyl$  [optionally substituted by 1 or 2 substituents independently selected from hydroxy,  $-C=NR^2$ ,  $(1-4C)alkoxy$ , aryloxy,  $-S(O)_bR^2$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $-O-S(O)_bR^2$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $-NR^2R^3$ ,  $-N(OH)R^2$ ,  $-NR^2C(=O)R^2$ ,  $-NHOHC(=O)R^2$ ,  $-SO_2NR^2R^3$ ,  $-N(R^2)SO_2R^2$  and aryl],  $-C(O)NOH$ ,  $-C(O)NSH$ ,  $-C(N)OH$ ,  $-C(N)SH$ ,  $-SO_2H$ ,  $-SO_3H$ ,  $-SO_2N(OH)R^2$ ,  $-(2-4C)alkenyl$ ,  $-SO_2NR^2R^3$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylC(O)R^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylC(O)OR^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylSC(O)R^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylOC(O)R^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylC(O)NR^2R^3$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylOC(O)OR^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylN(R^2)C(O)OR^2$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylN(R^2)C(O)NR^2R^3$ ,  $-(1-4C)alkylOC(O)NR^2R^3$ ,  $(3-6C)cycloalkyl$  (optionally substituted by 1 or 2  $R^8$ ), aryl,  $-(1-4C)alkylSO_2(2-4C)alkenyl$  and  $-S(O)_cR^2$  (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2);

$R^2$  and  $R^3$  are independently selected from hydrogen,  $-O(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-S(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-N(1-4C)alkyl$ , aryl and  $(1-4C)alkyl$  [optionally substituted by 1 or 2  $R^8$  groups]; or

$R^8$  is independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy,  $(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $(2-4C)alkenyl$ ,  $(1-4C)alkoxy$ , cyano $(1-4C)alkyl$ , amino $(1-4C)alkyl$  [optionally substituted on nitrogen by 1 or 2 groups selected from  $(1-4C)alkyl$ , hydroxy, hydroxy $(1-4C)alkyl$ , dihydroxy $(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-CO_2(1-4C)alkyl$ , aryl and aryl $(1-4C)alkyl$ ], halo $(1-4C)alkyl$ , dihalo $(1-4C)alkyl$ , trihalo $(1-4C)alkyl$ , hydroxy $(1-4C)alkyl$ , dihydroxy $(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $(1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkoxy$ ,  $(1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkyl$ , hydroxy $(1-4C)alkoxy$ , aryl,  $(3-7C)cycloalkyl$  (optionally substituted with 1 or 2 hydroxy groups,  $(1-4C)alkyl$  or  $-CO_2(1-4C)alkyl$ ),  $(1-4C)alkanoyl$ ,  $(1-4C)alkylS(O)_b-$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $(3-6C)cycloalkylS(O)_b-$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2), aryl $S(O)_b-$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2), benzyl $S(O)_b-$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $(1-4C)alkylS(O)_c(1-4C)alkyl-$  (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2),  $-N(OH)CHO$ ,  $-C(=N-OH)NH_2$ ,  $-C(=N-OH)NH(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-C(=N-OH)N((1-4C)alkyl)_2$ ,  $-C(=N-OH)NH(3-6C)cycloalkyl$ ,  $-C(=N-OH)N((3-6C)cycloalkyl)_2$ ,  $-COCOOR^9$ ,  $-C(O)N(R^9)(R^{10})$ ,  $-NHC(O)R^9$ ,  $-C(O)NHSO_2(1-4C)alkyl$ ,  $-NHSO_2R^9$ ,  $(R^9)(R^{10})NSO_2-$ ,  $-COCH_2OR^{11}$ ,  $-COCH_2OH$ ,  $(R^9)(R^{10})N-$ ,  $-COOR^9$ ,  $-CH_2OR^9$ ,  $-CH_2COOR^9$ ,  $-CH_2OCOR^9$ ,  $-CH_2CH(CO_2R^9)OH$ ,  $-CH_2C(O)NR^9R^{10}$ ,  $-(CH_2)_wCH(NR^9R^{10})CO_2R^9$  (wherein w is 1, 2 or 3), and  $-(CH_2)_wCH(NR^9R^{10})CO(NR^9R^{10})$  (wherein w is 1, 2 or 3);

$R^9$ ,  $R^{9'}$ ,  $R^{10}$  and  $R^{10'}$  are independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, (1-4C)alkyl (optionally substituted by 1 or 2  $R^{11}$ ), (2-4C)alkenyl, (3-7C)cycloalkyl (optionally substituted by 1 or 2 hydroxy groups), cyano(1-4C)alkyl, trihalo(1-4C)alkyl, aryl,  $-\text{CO}_2(1-4\text{C})\text{alkyl}$ ; or  $R^{11}$  is independently selected from (1-4C)alkyl, and hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~pre-drug~~ thereof.

2. (cancelled)

3. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1, wherein n is 0.

4 (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein r is 1.

5. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein m is 1.

6. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein Y is selected from  $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OR}^2$ ,  $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkyl}$  [optionally substituted by a substituent selected from hydroxy, (1-4C)alkoxy,  $-\text{S}(\text{O})_b\text{R}^2$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $-\text{O}-\text{S}(\text{O})_b\text{R}^2$  (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2),  $-\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ,  $-\text{NR}^2\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{R}^2$  and  $-\text{SO}_2\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ],  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylC}(\text{O})\text{R}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylC}(\text{O})\text{OR}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylOC}(\text{O})\text{R}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylC}(\text{O})\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylOC}(\text{O})\text{OR}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylIN}(\text{R}^2)\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OR}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylIN}(\text{R}^2)\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylISC}(\text{O})\text{R}^2$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylOC}(\text{O})\text{NR}^2\text{R}^3$ ,  $-(1-4\text{C})\text{alkylSO}_2(2-4\text{C})\text{alkenyl}$  and  $-\text{SO}_c\text{R}^2$  (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2).

7. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein  $\text{R}^2$  and  $\text{R}^3$  are independently selected from hydrogen,  $-\text{O}(1-4\text{C})\text{alkyl}$ ,  $-\text{N}(1-4\text{C})\text{alkyl}$ , (1-4C)alkyl [optionally substituted by 1 or 2  $\text{R}^8$  groups].

8. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein  $\text{R}^8$  is independently selected

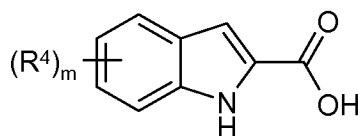
from hydrogen, hydroxy,  $-C(O)N(R^9)(R^{10})$ ,  $-NHC(O)R^9$ ,  $-COOR^9$ ,  $-CH_2OR^9$ ,  $-CH_2COOR^9$ ,  $-CH_2OCOR^9$  and aryl.

9. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein  $R^9$  and  $R^{10}$  are independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy and (1-4C)alkyl).

10. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

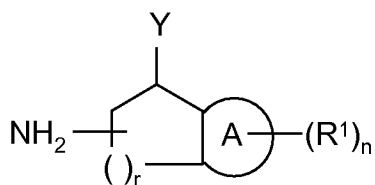
11-15 (cancelled)

16. (withdrawn - currently amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1, which process comprises:  
reacting an acid of the formula (2):



(2)

or an activated derivative thereof; with an amine of formula (3):



(3)

and thereafter if necessary:

- converting a compound of the formula (1) into another compound of the formula (1);
- removing any protecting groups;
- forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~.

17. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ~~in-vivo hydrolysable ester~~ thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein R<sup>4</sup> is selected from chloro, fluoro and methyl.

18. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (I) wherein

A is phenylene;

n is 0;

m is 1;

R<sup>4</sup> is chloro;

Y is selected from -C(O)OR<sup>2</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup>, -(1-4C)alkyl [optionally substituted by a substituent selected from -S(O)<sub>b</sub>R<sup>2</sup> (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2), -O-S(O)<sub>b</sub>R<sup>2</sup> (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2), -NR<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup>, -NR<sup>2</sup>C(=O)R<sup>2</sup> and -SO<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup>], -(1-4C)alkylC(O)OR<sup>2</sup>, -(1-4C)alkylOC(O)R<sup>2</sup>, -(1-4C)alkylC(O)NR<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup>, -(1-4C)alkylSC(O)R<sup>2</sup>, -(1-4C)alkylSO<sub>2</sub>(2-4C)alkenyl and -SO<sub>c</sub>R<sup>2</sup> (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2);

R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are independently selected from hydrogen and (1-4C)alkyl [optionally substituted by 1 or 2 R<sup>8</sup> groups];

R<sup>8</sup> is independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, -C(O)N(R<sup>9</sup>)(R<sup>10</sup>), -NHC(O)R<sup>9</sup>, -COOR<sup>9</sup> and aryl;

R<sup>9</sup> and R<sup>10</sup> are independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy and (1-4C)alkyl).

19. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (I) selected from

Methyl (1*R*,2*R*)-2-[[[(5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-yl)carbonyl]amino]indane-1-carboxylate;

5-Chloro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-(hydroxymethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-indole-2-carboxamide;

(1*R*,2*R*)-2-[[[(5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-yl)carbonyl]amino]indane-1-carboxylic acid;

5-Fluoro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[[(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl]methyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[[(2-Hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl]methyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-5-methyl-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[[(2-Hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl]methyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Chloro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[[(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl]methyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Fluoro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[[[(3-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(3-Hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-5-methyl-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(3-Hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Chloro-*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(3-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

[(1*R*,2*R*)-2-[(5-Chloro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-yl)thio]acetic acid;

Methyl [(1*R*,2*R*)-2-[(5-chloro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-yl)thio]acetate;

5-Fluoro-*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Chloro-*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(2-Hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-5-methyl-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(2-Hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide; and

*N*-{(1*R*,2*R*)-1-[(2-Amino-2-oxoethyl)thio]-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl}-5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide.

20. (withdrawn) A method of producing a glycogen phosphorylase inhibitory effect in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.

21. (withdrawn) A method of treating type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance, syndrome X, hyperinsulinaemia, hyperglucagonaemia, cardiac ischaemia or obesity in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.

22. (withdrawn) A method of treating type 2 diabetes in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.